

City of Takoma Park
THE MONTGOMERY COLLEGE NEIGHBORS ADVISORY COMMITTEE
Meeting Minutes

September 20, 2005

The City of Takoma Park Montgomery College Neighbors Advisory Committee met on Tuesday, September 20th, 2005 in the Provost's Office Conference Room on the Montgomery College Campus, Takoma Park, Maryland.

Members Present:	Arlene Markowicz, Richard Weil, Morelyn Weisman, James Evans, Kathy Jentz
Members Absent:	Lorraine Pearsall, Bernard Aronson, Paul Chrostowski, Frances Phipps, Stacy Guian Sherman
Staff Present:	Ilona Blanchard, Senior Planner
Others Present:	Joy Austin-Lane, Councilmember, Howard Stanley, Director of Facilities, David Capp, Chief of Facilities, Sgt. Kurt Gilbert, Sally Brucker

1. **Meeting was called to order at 6:10**
2. **Takoma Park Police Officer Sgt. Kurt Gilbert** was in attendance to discuss parking and ticketing regulations. Takoma Avenue is a City street. There are two officers assigned to parking enforcement who also devote time to nuisance abatement. Any car with their gear in park in a no parking/no standing area may be ticketed. Regarding the bridge, the City patrols the woods while the County patrols the bridge.

Question: May the stop sign on New York Avenue be placed so that the other sign is visible?

The college complimented the police on their quick response last week.

The committee complimented the college for posting incident alerts. The college noted that the campus is required to post for 72 hours all incidents and at the end of the year to publish a report of all and to have a log of incidents at the security desk. The City would like a copy of the alerts to go to Jim Evans for distribution. Kurt Gilbert noted that the neighborhood may call him (301) 891 7124 for neighborhood questions regarding safety, and to contact Tina Smith for statistics kept on crimes in the Victor Sector (301)891 7101 x5615.

2. Minutes

After a discussion and minor changes the minutes were unanimously adopted.

3. Election & Bylaws

The election of officers and discussion and adoption of bylaws was moved to October, with quarterly meetings to be scheduled for January, April, July, and October.

4. Issues

Idling - delivery trucks for the cafeteria often idle for long periods. In April or May idling will move to Fenton with the bookstore and cafeteria.

CNG/Hybrid buses. Joy talked with Ride-On, CNG/Hybrid buses is the direction that Ride-On would like to move - a letter and pressure from the committee could help - would anyone draft it?

Chicago Avenue - what does community think of paddles? Would like paint in the street warning of a ped x-ing. Also the bus stop needs more lighting and the crosswalk has low lighting.

6. Next Meeting

Next meeting will be October 25th at 6 PM.

7. Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 7:25 PM.

Respectfully Submitted



Ilona Blanchard, Senior Planner